(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) Jaish-e-Mohammad, Lashkar-e-Toiba and Hizbul-Mujahideen have been declared as 'terrorist organisation' on 24.10.2001, under Section 18 of the Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance, 2001 (No. 9 of 2001).

News-Item "capital's high 'n' mighty figure on cocaine peddler client list"

350. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Indian Express dated 28th August, 2001, under the heading "capital's high 'n' mighty figures on cocaine peddler's client list";

(b) if so, what are the names of such persons found involved therein; and

(c) whether any one of them have been apprehended and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Niraj Vadera is the only person amongst the suspect clients connected with the case who was caught red-handed while receiving a consignment of cocaine and, therefore, arrested.